# May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Corinthians 13:14

PreludeCome, Thou Almighty King		arr. Page
Welcome and Announceme While the music is	e <b>nts</b> being played, quietly prepare your heart	t for worship.
*Call to Worship		Psalm 23:5-6
*Hymn of Praise	Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!	No. 498
	sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul; assail me, he, my Savior, makes me wh	ole.
•	what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a F g, loving, he is with me to the end.	riend!
•	weakness! Let me hide myself in him; imes failing, he, my strength, my vict'r	y wins. <b>REFRAIN</b>
-	row! While the billows o'er me roll, eaking, he, my comfort, helps my soul.	REFRAIN
•	ceeper! While the tempest still is high, Per-takes me, he, my pilot, hears my cry	. REFRAIN

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find; he hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. **REFRAIN** 

### \*Prayer of Invocation

#### **Scripture Reading**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious Heavenly Father, we bow before You this morning and throw ourselves upon Your mercy, asking You to withhold from us the death and spiritual decay that our sins so rightly deserve. Wash us clean in the blood of Jesus from all of our sins. Clothe us more and more in Jesus' righteousness as our only covering and continue to make us more and more like Him in everything that we think and say and do. Grant us the grace we need to do this, we pray, in Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. <sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. <sup>3</sup> He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. <sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and staff, they comfort me.

#### **\*Hymn of Thanksgiving** Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness No. 520

Jesus, thy blood and righteousness my beauty are, my glorious dress; 'midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.

Bold shall I stand in thy great day; for who aught to my charge shall lay? Fully absolved through these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

Psalm 91

#### Psalm 23:1-4

When from the dust of death I rise to claim my mansion in the skies, ev'n then this shall be all my plea, Jesus hath lived, hath died, for me.

Jesus, be endless praise to thee, whose boundless mercy hath for me for me a full atonement made, an everlasting ransom paid.

O let the dead now hear thy voice; now bid thy banished ones rejoice; their beauty this, their glorious dress, Jesus, thy blood and righteousness.

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism 35-37

Q. 35 What is sanctification?

- A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.
- Q. 36 What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?
- A. The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance to the end.
- Q. 37 What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?
- A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves, till the resurrection.

*Hymn of Preparation	Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah	No. 598
Guide me, O thou great	t Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;	
I am weak, but thou art	t mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand;	
Bread of heaven, Bread	d of heaven, feed me till I want no more,	
feed me till I want no n	nore.	
Open now the crystal for	ountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;	
let the fire and cloudy	pillar lead me all my journey through;	
strong Deliv'rer, strong	g Deliv'rer, be thou still my strength and shield,	
be thou still my strengt	h and shield.	
When I tread the verge	of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;	
Death of death, and hel	ll's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;	
songs of praises, song of	of praises, I will ever give to thee,	
I will ever give to thee.		

## Sermon Think with Your Mind, Not with Your Heart Luke 6:1-11

Sermon Outline

1. Understanding your use of the law

2. Misunderstanding of the Sabbath

3. Misunderstanding the moral law

Questions for Further Consideration:

- 1. What does a typical Sunday look like for you and your family? What do you do to set Sunday apart from the rest of the days of the week?
- 2. What role does your own personal experience play in your decision making (not just on Sabbath practice)? Why is it so hard to argue against someone's own personal experience?
- 3. How many different types of law are there in the Bible? Which is the oldest? Why is that significant?
- 4. Consider Luke 6:5. What are the benefits we enjoy from a well-spent Sunday? Are we too rigid or too lenient about observing the Lord's Day today? Explain.

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide: when other helpers fail, and comforts flee, help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see; O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour; what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless: ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes; shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies: heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee: in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

## \*Benediction

## \*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

\*Postlude

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

arr. Wagner

\* Congregation: Please stand as able.

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Organ Intercessory Prayer Sandy Schoon Yon Lindborg, Elder

## Weekly Calendar

DATE	TIME	<u>EVENT</u>	
SUN 5/17	10:00 AM	Worship Service	
MON 5/18	6:00 PM	Hrivnak Care Group (via Zoom)	
WED 5/20	9:30 AM	Ladies' Bible Study (via Zoom)	
SUN 5/24	10:00 AM	Worship Service	
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## Serving the Lord

	5/17	5/24	5/31
AM Nursery	N/A	N/A	N/A
Greeters	N/A	N/A	N/A
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	J. Martin	B. Schoon	B. Armstrong
Elder of the Week	Lindborg	Schoon	Stoltzfus

## Announcements

**Women's Center of NWI**: We received a thank you letter from the Women's Center of NWI for our generous participation in the Sanctity of Human Life Baby Bottle Boomerang and our continued faithfulness to this ministry. The letter is posted on the bulletin board just outside of the office.

**New Secretary:** As Sandy and Jerry DeGroot prepare to move to Iowa, Sandy has been training Melissa Stoltzfus to serve as the church secretary. Please send any announcements for the bulletin or events for the calendar to Melissa either to the church's email at <u>info@goodshepherdpca.net</u> or her personal email at <u>mbestoltzfus@gmail.com</u> by noon on Thursday, in order to be placed in the bulletin on Sunday.